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SUBJECT: PAN-EUROPEAN UNION COMMEMORATION OF US BICENTENNIAL

1. VITTORIO PONS, INTERNATIONAL SECRETARY GENERAL OF
PAN-EUROPEAN UNION AND ALSO AN OFFICIAL OF THE
COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES, HAS INFORMED
ME OF PAN-EUROPEAN UNIONS DESIRE TO COMMEMORATE US
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BICENTENNIAL BY ISSUING MEDALS BEARING LIKENESSES OF

EUROPEANS WHO PARTICIPATED SIGNIFICANTLY IN EVENTS OF AMERICAN REVOLUTIONARY PERIOD. MEDALS WOULD BE PRESENTED FOR SALE IN ALBUM CONTAINING SHORT DESCRIPTIONS OF EACH EUROPEAN'S ROLE IN EARLY US HISTORY. SMILAR PAN-EUROPEAN UNION PROJECT SOME YEARS AGO HONORING GREAT EUROPEANS WAS SUCCESSFUL, ACCORDING TO PONS.

2. REQUEST AGENCY AND USIS POSTS RECEIVING THIS MESSAGE INFORM USIS/USEC OF NAMES OF ILLUSTRIOUS EUROPEANS (ONE TO FIVE PER COUNTRY AS IT EXISTS ON TODAY'S MAP) WHO WOULD MERIT COMMEMORATION PONS' PROJECT. APPRECIATE SHORT BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES AVAILABLE USIS LIBRARY.

3. PONS ALSO CONTEMPLATING ORGANIZING VISITS IN 1975 AND 1976 OF US CITIZENS BACK TO HOMELANDS OF EUROPEAN ANCESTORS.

4. REQUEST AGENCY INFORM USIS/USEC OF OTHER PROJECTS DESIGNED BRING AMERICANS TO EUROPEAN HOMELANDS, SO PONS MAY ASSOCIATE HIS EFFORTS USEFULLY WITH OTHERS. HOFFMAN

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